



SATURDAY EVENING, JULY 15, 1905.

JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER, the richest man in the world, last night, as is his custom, when at home in Cleveland, O., attended prayer meeting services at the Euclid Avenue Baptist Church. The topic of the meeting was "Character Building." A dozen prayers by different worshippers were silently joined in by Rockefeller, who bowed his head on the chair in front of his. A number of persons [had testified] when Rockefeller arose and said:

I have been greatly helped and inspired by the testimony of those here to-night. The way for all of us to do to Christ, is for each to do according as he hath. There are men who appear equally zealous in the cause of Christ—but one is more effective than the other. The thing to do is to find out the secret of the effectiveness of the one. The beginning of the application of our Christianity must come now, tonight and tomorrow morning in our homes, or in the office. Sometimes it has seemed to me that I might advance the Christian faith by assisting in the endowment of chairs in theological seminaries. The world needs teachers of the faith. However humble we may be, whatever our place, it matters not, we can show the best side. We must show the most winsome and convincing side. In fact we must show that we love God. It may be a trivial thought and perhaps I cannot express it as I desire to do, but I must tell you. In making out manifestations of Christian faith, we must do that which counts most. This may be only a simple word or a cordial handshake. The world is a rushing, pushing throng. Every one seems to be striving to get ahead. It is a sweetly comforting thought that the requirements of God are only according as he has given us, ability to do. It is a blessed encouragement that every one of us can have a part in this Christ building, not only ourselves but for the upbuilding of the church, of God. How blessed, how God-like it all is. I thank you.

While Mr. Rockefeller, as a citizen of the kingdom of heaven, is placed on a plane with the humblest believer, the example he is setting could be followed by others of the same class with profit to themselves and hearers.

The disclosures of the secret service agents have destroyed public confidence in the government's crop reports. In the opinion of many the Department of Agriculture might just as well "shut up shop" so far as crop reporting is concerned, and the elaborate plan of the secretary to safeguard information in future will do little toward restoring confidence. Charges of false reports of acreage and condition of the tobacco crop, through the instigation of the tobacco trust, have been added to those of a cotton crop "leak," made against the department. Pending an inquiry the publication of tobacco statistics of several districts will be held up, although the regular monthly figures by States will be given out on Monday. The inquiry now in progress has been placed by Secretary Wilson under Statistician Hyde. There is persistent dissatisfaction with Mr. Hyde, not only as regards the management of such an inquiry, but as regards his retention in the crop reporting service. Cotton and tobacco producers are determined that Hyde shall be forced out if possible.

AS ANTICIPATED, the report sent out from Richmond that Mr. Thomas F. Ryan was laying wires to succeed Senator Daniel, was but an idle story. In New York yesterday Mr. Ryan had this to say of the report that he hoped to succeed John W. Daniel as Senator from Virginia:

I am aware of my many weaknesses, but political ambition is not one of them. As to the successor of Senator Daniel, of Virginia, the people of that State will reserve to themselves that old democratic custom of making their own Senators in Congress, and you will have to ask them regarding that matter.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT is firmly of the opinion that there would have been no deficit in the Treasury during the past fiscal year if the government had been conducted on absolute business principles. The deficit was nearly \$25,000,000 and he believes that more than that amount might have been saved if the government could have been conducted with all of the minute and exacting system and economy of an up-to-date private business establishment. But in this idea the President is not in accord with his party, which is people while opposed to economy in any form.

TODAY is St. Swin's day, on which, according to the old prophecy, if it shows 40 days of rainy weather will follow. The forecast is interesting, predicting "fair tonight and Sunday, with moderate temperature; light west to north winds." As it has rained nearly every day during the past forty a little dry weather now would not go amiss.

A NUMBER of husbands were before the bar of the Criminal Court, in Baltimore, yesterday, on the charge of deserting their wives, and were all released on promises to pay [their] several wives a sum per week. The desertion of wives is being to be a common occurrence nowadays.

THE PIEDMONT VIRGINIAN, published at Orange, is offered for sale by its publisher, Mr. A. F. Stoffer who states that he wishes to retire from the newspaper business. The Virginian, which is one of the best weeklies in the State, has been published by the Stoffers for many years past, but the life of a Virginia newspaper published nowadays is not a bed of roses and doubtless many others would retire from the business if they could.

From Washington.

(Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.)

Washington, D. C., July 15.

The people and the State of New Hampshire have asked for and been granted the honor of entertaining the Russian and Japanese peace plenipotentiaries during the period of their conferences at Portsmouth. The finest available hotel accommodations will be furnished the distinguished visitors, free carriage will be placed at their command, and various forms of entertainment provided for them and the citizens of the Granite State will foot the bills. This arrangement is the result of a conference recently held at the Department of State between the Secretary of the State of New Hampshire and Assistant Secretary of State Peirce. New Hampshire's Secretary announced that that State would consider it an honor to have the peace negotiators as its guests and promised that they should be furnished with such entertainment as befitted their personal dignity and the importance of their mission. The offer has been accepted and Assistant Secretary Peirce is now in Portsmouth making the final arrangements in cooperation with New Hampshire's representative. The plenipotentiaries with their respective suites will be lodged in the Hotel Wentworth, one of the handsomest hotels on the New England coast and of modern construction. It is situated near the river on the outskirts of the town of Portsmouth. It is possible that the whole of the hotel will be reserved for the use of the peace commissioners, or at least several floors. Probably never before in the history of the making of peace treaties have the negotiators received similar handsome treatment from the country in which they assembled to define the terms upon which war should cease. Very little real expense will be put upon the United States federal government through the decision of the belligerents in the far East to discuss peace in this country. The United States has placed a government building in the Portsmouth navy yard at the disposition of the negotiators. The Mayflower and Dolphin will convey the commissioners from New York to Oyster Bay on the day that the President will introduce them to each other. The two boats that will be assigned to their use during the conferences would be employed on other duty if not here. It is probable that there will be one or more State dinners or receptions given by the President to the commissioners at some time during their stay in this country. All expenses of this sort and such others as may become necessary will be met by drafts on the \$75,000 emergency fund of the State Department. They will probably, however, not amount to more than a few hundred dollars.

Two additional cases of yellow fever were reported from the isthmus today. The death of G. H. Harper, of Texas, taken sick July 6th, is also reported. He was a clerical employee in the department of government and sanitation. The Navy department will establish immediately a school of instruction for newly appointed assistant paymasters. The school will be located in this city and the first course will begin on August 1st.

The War Department has been informed of the death of Captain Napoleon J. T. Dana, U. S. army, retired, at Portsmouth, N. H., today from apoplexy.

President Jordan and Secretary Chamberlain of the Southern Cotton Growers' Association and Col. Henry G. Hester, secretary of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange, held a conference this morning at the Ebbitt House, at which they agreed to insist that Secretary Wilson of the Agricultural Department shall issue a revised acreage report, covering the planting season. The last report given out when Edwin S. Holmes was associate statistician is alleged to have been tampered with and if this is true it would be a false report. The three cotton men have also agreed to render any possible assistance to Acting Attorney General Hoyt and United States Attorney Beach in the investigation of the Agricultural Bureau of Statistics. Jordan got some valuable information from the New York Cotton Exchange yesterday and will return there tonight to continue his inquiries. He has not yet visited Oyster Bay.

The National Wholesale Lumber Dealers Association with headquarters in New York City has brought two complaints before the Interstate Commerce Commission, one against the Atlantic Coast Line and other railroads operating in the territory south of the Potomac and Ohio and east of the Mississippi rivers, and the other against the Pennsylvania and other railroads operating north of the Potomac and Ohio and east of the Mississippi rivers. The complaint against the roads is that the shippers of lumber are obliged to spend \$6 a car for racking the lumber on flat cars, which the railroads really ought to pay, but for which they allow a differential of but 500 pounds per car, which is not sufficient. The complainants aver that the regulation in question results in unreasonable and unjust charges.

The Japanese legation this afternoon received the following official advice from Tokyo: "The Sakhalin army reports that on the tenth our troops, pursuing the enemy, dislodged him from Vladimirovka and vicinity. He retreated to fortified positions in the northwest where he made stubborn resistance with field and machine guns. On the 11th our army commenced a vigorous attack, finally routing the enemy toward Maika at dawn of the 12th. The Russians lost about 150."

No indication has been received by the State Department from United States Ambassador Myer at St. Petersburg, Russia, that there has been any disagreement between M. Witte, recently appointed senior Russian peace plenipotentiary, and the czar. State Department officials are disinclined to believe the unconfirmed reports from St. Petersburg that M. Witte, because of differences between him and the czar, has asked to be relieved as senior peace plenipotentiary. If such had been the case it is thought Ambassador Myer would have

informed this government without loss of time.

U. S. Consul Anderson at Amoy, China, reports that a recent cargo of American flour delivered to Chinese importers caused many deaths in Amoy and the big city of Changchun, apparently through the presence of morphia poison. The first death occurred in Amoy, where the flour was used by a restaurant keeper. One customer died within an hour after eating noodles made of the flour, and when his relatives informed the restaurant owner the latter, with his wife and daughter, ate some of the food to prove its harmlessness. They died in a short time. Numerous deaths were reported in the two cities and the great district of which they are the commercial center. Some foreigners are reported to have died. Mr. Anderson believes morphia smugglers secreted their wares in the flour and were unable to withdraw their goods. The Chinese have become highly suspicious, however, and refuse to buy American flour, believing the poisoning to have been intentional on the part of the shippers. The consul has requested the authorities to issue an explanatory proclamation and suggests the shipment of American flour in sealed packages. The cargo reached Amoy via Hongkong.

D. W. Miner, a dealer in beer and pork products at Providence, R. I., in a complaint before the Interstate Commerce Commission against the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company, avers that the railroad declines to deliver his merchandise at the Canal street yard, where his place of business is situated, carrying it to the west yard, a half mile distant, although delivery is made direct to his competitors at the Canal street yard. He says that this discrimination is intentionally made to favor his competitors and should be abolished.

News of the Day.

An explosion of natural gas in the Kanawha county courthouse at Charleston, W. Va., yesterday, resulted in the injury of six persons who were in the room at the time.

The bodies of two of those drowned with the Normandine near New York a few nights ago, were yesterday recovered, that of Miss Dodge being in the cabin of the yacht, which was raised.

Secretary Taft and party arrived at Honolulu yesterday on the steamer Manchuria. The visitors went driving to the Pali, visited local places of interest and lunched at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel, where Secretary Taft made an address.

Dr. Charles A. Carroll, of Maryland, a member of the distinguished family of that name, died suddenly last evening at the Church Home and Infirmary, in Baltimore, aged 60 years. Death was due to heart disease.

William S. Withers, of Wakefield, N. Y., who led the orchestra of Ford's Theater in Washington the night of April 14, 1865, when President Lincoln was shot, is dead at the age of seventy. Wilkes Booth stabbed him after leaving from the President's box to the stage and a detective arrested him. In the confusion of the moment many in the theater believed Withers fired the shot that killed Lincoln.

Politics played no small part in causing the investigation of the Government Printing Office and the scandals which had arisen over the recent purchase of type-setting machines. Oscar J. Rickerts, foreman of printing, admitted yesterday that he had consented to become a candidate for the place of Public Printer upon the understanding that Public Printer Palmer is to go. Rickerts made a protest against the purchase of Lanston machines by Palmer, and it was this action which caused the President to order an inquiry.

Virginia News.

Mrs. Estelle Smith, convicted of whipping her son to death, is ill in Manchester jail.

Mrs. Harriet B. Slater died at her home in Petersburg yesterday at the age of eighty years. She is survived by five children.

William H. Whitman, proprietor of the Edinburg Inn, Shenandoah county, died yesterday. He was formerly sheriff of Shenandoah county.

Mrs. C. W. Butterworth, wife of the agent of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad at Milford, died Thursday of Bright's disease.

The Pope in Rome yesterday received in private audience Monsignor Van de Vyver, Bishop of Richmond, who presented a report of the work accomplished in his diocese.

Gen. Scott Shipp has given Agnor & Son, of Lynchburg, the contract for the erection of the new mess hall at the Virginia Military Institute. It will be only one story high, covering the same ground as occupied by the old one.

The heavy rains of the last two weeks are reported to have seriously injured crops in eastern Virginia and North Carolina, particularly cotton in eastern North Carolina, and it is feared that cotton growers in that section will lose heavily as a result.

Third Vice President George L. Potter, of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, and other officials were at Strasburg, Shenandoah county, yesterday conferring with the municipal authorities regarding the latter's proposed legal steps to compel the railroad company to run the train to the town of Strasburg instead of stopping at the junction, as it has for many years, in violation of its charter. It is said that an amicable agreement will be reached.

The corner's jury in Norfolk yesterday acquitted Town Sergeant Taylor, of Cape Charles, of blame for the killing of the crazy negro, Gilmore Robb. Robb had been working on the Eastern Shore and got on the steamboat Pennsylvania to go to Norfolk. He flourished knives and terrorized the crew and passengers till Taylor was summoned to arrest him. He threatened Taylor and was shot in the neck. Robb was taken to Norfolk and died in St. Vincent's Hospital as the result of the wound. There was evidence that Robb had been declared a lunatic by a commission but had not been sent to the asylum, because his friends protested that he was harmless.

Spotted Her Beauty.

Harriet Howard, of 209 W. 34th St., New York, at one time had her beauty spoiled with skin trouble. She writes: "I had Salt Rheum or Eczema for years, but nothing would cure it, until I used Bucklen's Astringent. A quick and sure healer for cuts, burns and sores. 25c at E. S. Leadbeater & Sons' drug store."

The Market.

Georgetown, July 15.—Wheat 65c 00.

Today's Telegraphic News

Suicide Follows Divorce.

Jersey City, N. J., July 15.—At his home in this city this morning, Louis J. Apgar, a wealthy retired grocer, committed suicide, using a revolver. Yesterday afternoon Vice Chancellor Garrison, after a trial lasting four days, awarded a decree of divorce against Mrs. Clara English Myers, wife of a New York envelope manufacturer, who lives in a handsome home at No. 104 Gifford avenue, the most exclusive section in Jersey City. Apgar was named as co-respondent, the couple having been trapped in a room at the Hotel Albert, New York, on February 8, last. The divorce case created a tremendous sensation in Jersey City. Mrs. Myers was prominent in club circles. She is a member of the Woman's Club and a member of the smart set, on Jersey City Heights. Her spiritual adviser, Rev. Dr. Herr, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, testified in her behalf. The highest priced lawyers in the State of New Jersey fought the case out before Vice Chancellor Garrison. After the decision yesterday counsel for Myers intimated that a suit for \$50,000 damages for alienating the affections of Mrs. Myers, who is 43 years old, would be instituted against Apgar, who is sixty years old. Apgar is survived by a wife and two adult daughters.

Murderer Still at Large.

Boston, July 15.—John Schidlofski, suspected of the murder of his wife, Marianne, whose mutilated body was found near the Arlington Golf Course, at Belmont Thursday afternoon, with the head almost completely severed, is still at large, having blocked the carefully laid plans of the Massachusetts State police when he failed to arrive in Chicago yesterday afternoon on the train which left Boston at 12:30 p. m., Thursday. It appears from the stories of Schidlofski's friends that the murdered woman was not his first wife, but that she was his third, he having been married three times during the nine years he had been in the United States, once in St. Louis, again in Philadelphia, and a third time in Brockton, Mass. What has become of the woman who participated in the marriage in St. Louis and Philadelphia has not been ascertained.

Accident to a Flyer.

Harrisburg, Pa., July 15.—The Pennsylvania flyer, the new 18 hour train between Chicago and New York, struck a wrecked freight train while running at top speed, west of Port Royal near this city, at 5:07 this morning. The flyer remained on the track, and nobody was injured but the engineer of the flyer. A westbound freight train was halted suddenly so that it buckled, and one of the cars was thrown across the passenger track. Just then the passenger train appeared, and before it could be signalled, it struck the derailed car, and hurled it from the track. The engineer, Colvin Miller, of this city, jumped when he saw the obstruction, and was hurt about the head and back. Fireman Garman, of Harrisburg, stopped the train and afterward brought it to this city. The passenger engine was slightly damaged.

Weds Girl His Father Opposed; Cut in Will.

Pittsburg, July 15.—By the will of his father, Jacob S. Reimer, made four days after his marriage, Samuel S. Reimer is left only the income on \$20,000. His father's estate aggregates \$370,000. The bulk of the estate is left in trust for the widow, the income to be used during her life, and at her death the residue of income and principal goes to the only daughter, Samuel S. Reimer. He is a young man, and the young woman, whom he married, is a daughter of a mine carpenter, whom the elder Reimer did not consider the equal, socially, of his family. The young woman danced at a carnival given by the Elks several years ago. The son took his bride to Denver. He has not returned.

Boy Husband Torn from Bride.

Kalamazoo, Mich., July 15.—A boy and girl romance had a tragical termination here yesterday, when Delbert Preston, 15 years old, was torn from the arms of his girl bride, formerly Pearl Catherman, and lodged in county jail on the charge of perjury in giving a false answer when securing the license. Preston and Miss Catherman, the latter but 17 and a charming girl, said their vows were 19 each. J. Edin, an uncle of the youth, saw the license in a paper and notified the sheriff. The court will be asked to annul the marriage, but the young couple declare they will be married again when the boy is old enough.

Another Anti-Semitic Outbreak.

Berlin, July 15.—Prominent Jews here have received letters from Jewish leaders in Russia to the effect that anti-semitic outbreaks have occurred at Josefow in the province of Lublin. A mob of 3,000 persons, many of whom were women, made an attack on the ghetto, wrecking and plundering over 200 dwellings of Jews. The owners of the houses and their families when they fell into the hands of the rioters were cruelly maltreated. Fierce fighting took place at times when Jews tried to defend themselves. The casualties are reported at two killed and 110 wounded. Some of the injured are expected to die.

Revolutionists Killed.

Vienna, July 15.—Dispatches from Cracow, Poland, say that while Polish revolutionaries were holding a secret meeting at Bialystock, a small town of Poland, a large force of police entered the building from the rear. As the police appeared in the doorway leading to the hall, a shot was fired at them by one of the revolutionaries. The police responded to this shot by firing three volleys into the hall. Five of the revolutionaries were killed, and more than 100 were wounded by the volleys.

Big Coal Combine.

Pittsburg, July 15.—A combination of the bituminous coal interests of the five mining States is being considered by several prominent financiers. Important consolidations have been formed in West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, which, it is said, is the preliminary step toward the formation of one big company. Railroad companies have been backing several of the new concerns.

Threatened with Assassination.

Sofia, Bulgaria, July 15.—The Macedonian committee has sent letters to Pitmi Hassa, the Turkish inspector general, and all European civil agents, warning them that they will be assassinated if they are captured. Several members of Bulgarian revolutionary bands have been hanged.

Race Riots.

New York, July 15.—The race riots in which more than a score were injured last night, on the West Side, in the district known as San Juan Hill, broke out sporadically this morning in spite of the police, who swarmed through the scenes of the disorders. Trouble of a serious nature is anticipated this afternoon and this evening. Police Commissioner McAdoo in command of the reserves, remained in the district on duty all night. A mob of nearly a thousand men early today chased Joseph D. Thebbs a negro was shot down a white man in Ninth avenue between Fifty-sixth and Fifty-seventh streets. He was thrown to the ground by a policeman and a revolver taken from him. The mob surrounded the policeman under the negro and showered them with bricks and stones. The arrival of a platoon of police prevented the negro from being severely handled. Thebbs shot Martin Coleman who had asked the negro for a match. The bullet passed through Coleman's face inflicting a severe wound.

Earthquake Shocks.

Portland, Maine, July 15.—Two slight earthquake shocks were felt here shortly after 5 o'clock this morning. No damage has been reported. Shocks were reported at Augusta, Bangor, Lewiston, Rockland, and Brunswick. Reports from Thomaston say that one shock was felt there of about 15 seconds' duration. The State prison and houses at Thomaston were shaken noticeably, and dishes and stove covers rattled. Buildings at Saco, Biddeford, and Old Orchard were jarred, the movement lasting a few seconds.

Killed by Explosion.

Ottawa, Ont., July 15.—A violent explosion occurred at the Dominion Cartridge Company's big arsenal at Brimbury, Quebec, where government ammunition is made. Four men, Stephen Carruthers, John A. Martin, Thomas Charlebois and Napoleon Larmache, were killed and several badly injured. A loading plate in the detonating room caused the explosion. The men were hurled in all directions. The flash exploded several other detonating machines, causing much damage.

General Wood's Condition.

Boston, July 15.—The Herald this morning says: "General Leonard Wood, about whose condition since he returned from the Philippines, there has been much mystery is an inmate of St. Margaret's Hospital, Louisville Square, where he is recovering from effects of an operation upon his head for a foreign growth. From beyond the fact that General Wood is an inmate there, and that Mrs. Wood is attending him, the matron and other officials of the hospital refuse to say anything."

"The Homestead" Burning.

Pittsfield, Mass., July 15.—The old Anson Phelps Stokes place, on Cliffwood street, Lenox, occupied this summer by Eric B. Dahlgren, of St. Paul, Minn., is burning and help has been asked from Pittsfield. Mr. and Mrs. Dahlgren, who was Miss Drexel of Philadelphia, and their nine children had just time to escape from the flames. The place was called "The Homestead" and was occupied by Mr. Stokes before he built Shadowbrook. The building was totally destroyed.

"Bureau of Insular Affairs."

Honolulu, July 15.—Speaking at a luncheon given in his honor yesterday afternoon, Secretary Taft, in response to an address of welcome, said the best way to handle the insular affairs of the United States would be through a bureau having under its control the Philippines, Hawaii, Porto Rico and Alaska. The secretary endorsed Gov. Carter's administration and expressed the belief that Carter would withdraw his resignation.

Raid on Bomb Factory.

St. Petersburg, July 15.—Advices from Baku, Trans-Caucasia, say the police there made a raid on an underground secret bomb factory which was being operated by terrorists. The officers seized ninety-one perfect bombs which were ready for use and a large quantity of materials for making infernal machines.

Will Not Go to Moscow.

St. Petersburg, July 15.—The czar has changed his plans about going to Moscow, as he had intended to do, and will not visit that city. The recent assassination of Count Shouvaloff, former Prefect of Police, at Moscow, has alarmed the Emperor, and his advisers have warned him not to go there.

Lynched.

Houston, Texas, July 15.—A mob after following a negro four days and nights in the Brazos bottoms, captured him this morning, and after torturing him by whipping, hanged him. The negro was Frank Mayors. He assaulted and beat Mrs. D. Roberts, a bride of but a few months.

Another Mutiny Reported.

Vienna, July 15.—Dispatches received from St. Petersburg say it is rumored there that a mutiny has occurred among the members of the crew of the battleship Katherine, of the Black Sea squadron. The mutineers are reported to have sunk the vessel.

Killed by Cyclone.

Winnipeg, Man., July 15.—A cyclone swept through this city early this morning, killing four people and injuring six. The bridge layers' union building fell down on two adjoining houses, crushing the inmates.

New York Stock Market.

New York, July 15.—Price movements during the first hour were very slow and with little significance to their buying or selling. It was general comment that there was a very small supply of stock on the floor and that large orders could be executed without forcing prices to higher levels.

List of Unclaimed Letters.

The following is a list of the letters remaining in the Alexandria, Va., postoffice up to July 15, 1905:

Atchison, Anthony	Bradfield, Miss Ethel J.
Alex News Pub. Co.	Boyd, Chas H.
Brace, W. A.	Clement, Miss Caroline
Brinkley, W. H.	Henderson, Thompson
Black, Scott	Hopkins, Arthur W.
Blackman, Robert D.	Mount, I. M.
Blackman, Mrs. R. D.	Monroe, Jim
Besley, J. G.	Mackles, Rev G. W.
Bell, Henry L.	Reid, Miss Annin
Brown, Mrs. Fannie	Smith, Rosa

DIED.

This morning at his home, in West End, JAMES E. BARRON, in the 64th year of his age. Funeral from his late residence tomorrow (Sunday) afternoon at 3 o'clock. Friends of the family are invited to attend.

SENATOR DANIEL'S ANSWER.

The Washington correspondent of the Richmond Journal says:

Senator John W. Daniel has expressed himself as follows in reference to the letter written to Colonel R. N. Harper by Representative William A. Jones, in which the latter accused Senator Martin and his friends of claiming for him credit that was due Senator Daniel.

"I gave out an interview some months ago, in which I said that Senator Martin had never claimed credit for what he did not accomplish, and that I have always found him exceedingly generous in such matters. I have seen no reason to alter my opinion since then. Senator Martin's ability in the Senate has not been overrated or overstated. What I said in that interview I can reiterate now."

Shown the interview given out by Representative Hay last night, in which that gentleman replied to Mr. Jones's statements, Senator Daniel said that the statements therein made were true, so far they affected him.

Prohibition Assembly.

The Purcellville Prohibition Assembly, the oldest and largest temperance and literary chautauqua in the South, having been organized in 1878, begins a 10-days session at Purcellville, Loudoun county, on August 1. The officers of the association are D. J. Hoge, president; C. C. Gaver, secretary, and A. B. Davis, treasurer. The auditorium recently built has a seating capacity of 4,000. During the meeting last year there were 10,000 paid admissions.

Of those who will participate may be mentioned Hon. Lee Beauchamp, Hon. Clinton N. Howard, Hon. Noah N. Cooper, Rev. Dr. Charles Cartwright, Capt. Chas. H. Stanley, Chester L. Ricketts, Rev. G. W. Stallings and Lieut. Richard Pearson Hobson, Misses Christine L. Tingling, of Liverpool, Eng.; Katherine Eggleston, of Florence G. Atkins and others. The Menley Quartet will be present. The opening session is set apart for the Sunday schools of Loudoun and adjacent counties, and on Friday, August 4, the Loudoun county W. C. T. U. will conduct the exercises. The influence of these meetings has created a great sentiment in northern Virginia for temperance and prohibition.

Supposed Suicide in Richmond.

Muscoe Russell Pace, jr., lies dead at his home in Richmond with a bullet in his brain. Whether his death was the result of accident or intent will never be known, but the opinion of the coroner is that he took his own life. The probable cause of the act is loss of his position as a messenger of the Southern Express Company and the consequent interference with his plans to marry. Young Pace, who was the son of M. R. Pace, a man prominent in Richmond labor circles, was alone in his room when the shot that killed him was fired. His father, attracted by the report, found him dying on the floor. He was accustomed to carry a revolver, and his family think it was accidentally discharged while he was putting it in his valise.

In his pocket was found a letter from his superior officer, K. C. Barrett, of the Southern Express Company, notifying him that his services were no longer required. No reason was given. His record is said to have been an admirable one. He had been for some years with the company, running from Richmond to Charleston, S. C.

Murdered His Wife.

At an early hour yesterday Mrs. Daniel V. Gray, the young wife of a saloon keeper of Detroit, Mich., was fatally stabbed as she lay in bed in the couple's apartments upstairs over the saloon. Frank Gray, a brother of Dan, was awakened by the woman's screams, and as he rushed to her room met Dan, who handed him a bloody knife. It was a knife Dan had borrowed from Frank. "I've done something," Frank says Dan said to him, as he disappeared. The woman was stabbed once in the middle of the chest twice in the left breast, and once in the left arm. She died half an hour later at Emergency Hospital, without recovering consciousness enough to talk. Jealousy is said to have caused the tragedy. Gray was arrested several hours after the crime on Cadillac Square. He said at the police station that he and his wife had quarreled over his habits.

A Correction.

To the Editor of the Alexandria Gazette. Dear Sir—A great mistake has been made in your paper concerning stolen property being found on my premises. It is all erroneous. Yesterday morning about half past four I was in my yard splitting wood, when a man stopped at the fence and asked me if I saw a man pass with a big sack. I answered "no." He said he had been watching from 3 o'clock until then. There were three empty boxes found in a vacant lot back of my house, and a colored woman named Frances Ware found two boxes under a doorstep in the neighborhood, and I told her she had better notify an officer and she did so. No officer has been in my house to search for anything.

HATTIE DOUGLAS.

[The statement in yesterday's Gazette was substantially as that made to the station house, but an officer this morning gave a correct version of the affair, which agrees in the main with the statement made above. It is therefore just that this correction should be made in the same public manner in which the item appeared.]

The Marquis Villaverde, former premier of Spain, is dead.

Good for Stomach Trouble and Constipation.

"Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets have done me a great deal of good," says C. Towns, of Rat Portage, Ontario, Canada. "Being a mild physic after the effects are not unpleasant, and I can recommend them to all who suffer from stomach disorder." For sale by Gibson and Timberman and W. F. Creighton & Co.

Catarth Cannot be Cured. With LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease, Catarth is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarth Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarth Cure is not a quick best physician in this country for years and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing Catarth. Send for testimonials free.

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